GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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BUYING CENTRES OF KVIC FOR JATROPA CURCAS
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has formulated plans to encourage the cultivation of `Jatropa Curcas` plantation in rural areas;

(b) if so, whether KVIC has linked such plantation to production of bio-diesel;

(c) if so, whether KVIC has offered to buy all the Jatropa Curcas produced in the country; and

(d) if so, the number of buying centres set up / to be set up by KVIC for the purpose, State-wise and location-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGHPRIYA GAUTAM)

(a): No, Sir. Cultivation activities are not in the purview of KVIC.

(b) to (d): Does not arise.